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Remarks

Reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested in view of the foregoing amendments and following remarks. Claims 21-32 and new claims 60-88 are pending in the application. No claims have been allowed. Claims 21, 22, 26, 62, 64, 69, 76, 78 and 83 are independent. Claims 1-20 and 33-59 are canceled without prejudice. Applicants reserve the right to pursue the canceled claims in one or more divisional applications.

Election and Response to Restriction

The Examiner has divided the claims into several groups and required an election of one group under 35 U.S.C. § 121. Applicants respectfully disagree with the restriction requirement and the Examiner's characterizations of the claims. Applicants have made an election with traverse in this response. Table 1 below shows the claim groups currently assigned by the Examiner to the previously submitted independent claims:

Group I	Claims 1, 37, 54
Group II	Claim 8
Group III	Claim 9, 15, 57
Group IV	Claim 21, 22, 26, 58
Group V	Claim 33, 34, 43, 47, 59

Table 1

Applicants elect Group IV with traverse. The Examiner has not addressed dependent claims. Dependent claims 23-25 and 27-32 should also be examined as part of the claims of Group IV.

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New Claims

Claims 60-88 have been added. New claims 60 and 61 depend from claims 21 and 22, respectively. Independent claims 62 and 76 recite certain language that mirrors language of claim 21. Independent claims 64 and 78 recite certain language that mirrors language of claim 22. Independent claims 69 and 83 recite certain language that mirrors language of claim 26. Claims 21-32 and 60-88 should be examined together.

Respectfully submitted,

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